

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q79148

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Appln. No.: 10/582,787

Group Art Unit: 1795

Confirmation No.: 5976

Examiner: Anca EOFF

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For: PHOTSENSITIVE COMPOSITION REMOVER

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This responds to the Restriction and Election of Species Requirement dated March 18, 2008.

In response to the Election of Species Requirement, Applicant elects Species B: a photosensitive composition remover comprising 10 to 20 percent by mass of one or more aromatic hydrocarbon(s) having 9 carbon atoms or more within the molecule and 80 to 90 percent by mass of one or more solvent(s) other than aprotic polar solvents, when the remover consists essentially of one or more aromatic hydrocarbon(s) having 9 carbon atoms in the molecule and one or more other solvent(s) other than aprotic polar solvents (page 5 of the specification and pages 14-15 of the specification, wherein the remover of Species B is described

as a remover consisting essentially of a first component and a third component). This election is made without traverse.

Applicant submits that claims 3, 4, 6 and 10 are readable on the elected species. Also, it is noted that the Examiner has indicated that claims 1, 2, 11 and 12 are generic, and thus it is considered that claims 1, 2, 11 and 12 are also readable on the elected species.

Applicant submits that if any of the elected claims is found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,



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